

BLESSED *by*
GOD THE
FATHER

EPHESIANS 1:1-6

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TRINITY

Presbyterian Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP | Sunday, January 23, 2022

Listening devices are available for the hearing impaired.

Please speak with a greeter or visit the sound booth upstairs for a listening device.

SONG OF GATHERING & PREPARATION

The people of God always sang as they ascended the hill in Jerusalem up to the temple to worship (see Psalms 120-134). We, as well, prepare our hearts, minds, and bodies for worship by singing about the God we serve.

No Longer Slaves

CALL TO WORSHIP | 1 Peter 1:3-7 (ESV)

We read God's Word, the Bible, together. It reveals to us who God is and what He expects of us.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OF ADORATION & CONFESSION

We pray together praising God for who He really is (Adoration) and admitting our inability to live up to what He expects of us (Confession).

ASSURANCE OF PARDON | Deuteronomy 7:6-9 (ESV)

We read God's Word together and are reminded that mercy and grace are freely given to all who have faith in Jesus Christ.

For you are a people holy to the LORD your God. The LORD your God has chosen you to be a people for his treasured possession, out of all the peoples who are on the face of the earth. It was not because you were more in number than any other people that the LORD set his love on you and chose you, for you were the fewest of all peoples, but it is because the LORD loves you and is keeping the oath that he swore to your fathers, that the LORD has brought you out with a mighty hand and redeemed you from the house of slavery, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt. Know therefore that the LORD your God is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments, to a thousand generations.

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

We respond to the good news of God's mercy and grace for us in Jesus by giving generously to the work of His church and the kingdom of God.

Grace

PRAISE & CELEBRATION

Our response to God's free grace is celebratory worship. We express our praise to God for who He is and what He has done for us.

The Blessing

CONFESSION OF FAITH

As an expression of our faith in Jesus Christ in solidarity with his people, we declare the substance of what we believe.

From the New City Catechism:

Q. 4. How and why did God create us?

A. God created us male and female in his own image to know him, love him, live with him, and glorify him. And it is right that we who were created by God should live to his glory.

Q. 5. What else did God create?

A. God created all things by his powerful Word, and all his creation was very good; everything flourished under his loving rule.

KIDS' WORSHIP & COMMUNITY KIDS' DISMISSAL (Infants - 5th Grade)

Please see your child's check-in name tag for class assignment.

GREETING

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & INTERCESSION

We express in prayer our gratitude to God for what He has done and ask Him to continue to act for our good and the good of others in our community and world.

PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD | David Springer, *Director of Campus Outreach*

A small portion of God's Word is explained to us and applied to our lives and circumstances.

ORDINATION OF BROWN PETERSON

SONG OF RESPONSE

We respond to the good news of God's mercy and grace by singing again of His goodness and greatness.

Goodness Of God

BENEDICTION

Because the hand of God's wrath was raised against Jesus, we now receive the hand of God's blessing as we are sent out to live our lives to the glory of God.

May the LORD bless you and keep you;
the LORD make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;
the LORD turn His face toward you and give you His peace,
both now and forevermore. Amen.

SCRIPTURE PASSAGE & SERMON OUTLINE

Proclamation of God's Word

Text: Ephesians 1:1-6 (ESV)

Title: Blessed by God the Father

Teacher: David Springer

¹ Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, To the saints who are in Ephesus, and are faithful in Christ Jesus: ² Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. ³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, ⁴ even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love ⁵ he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, ⁶ to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved.

BLESSED

How do election and adoption demonstrate God's blessing?

BROKEN

What do His gifts reveal about His recipients?

BELOVED

What kind of people are we called to be?

YOU CAN PRAY WITH US ...

1. Worship God the Father for His plans, purposes and intentionality which are displayed through our election and adoption.
2. In what ways do you see your brokenness on display? Where have you not surrendered and submitted to His Word and His will?
3. Give thanks to God the Father for every spiritual blessing. Ask God to grow you in humility and holiness.
4. Who do you know that feels abandoned and unloved? Who needs to know God's love? Pray for them, and ask God to give you an opportunity to encourage them with God's heart.
5. Ask the Holy Spirit to help you see God's incredible spiritual blessings. Where are you wrongly putting your hope and identity in physical blessing? Pray that these spiritual blessings would yield grace and peace in your lives!

WELCOME TO TRINITY!

We're so glad you are here.

Please place completed tear-off in offering box.

Name (Please Print) Gender Male Female

Spouse

Children (Include DOB for Children's Ministry)

Address

City/State Country/Zip

Phone

E-mail Address

I am interested in:

- Worship Folder & Announcement Emails
- Volunteering
- Joining Trinity
- Ministry Opportunities
- _____

Prayer

How can our staff pray for you?

Mission

A city transformed: Loved by God the Father, saved by Jesus His Son, empowered by His Spirit, called by God to reach our city with His love.

Community Bible Reading

communitybiblereading.org

January 24 - 29, 2022

(3-year plan: read blue passages | 1-year plan: read all)

Monday	Luke 16 Genesis 16	Isaiah 7 2 Samuel 49
Tuesday	Luke 17 Genesis 17	Isaiah 8 2 Samuel 10
Wednesday	Luke 18 Genesis 18	Isaiah 9 2 Samuel 11
Thursday	Luke 19 Genesis 19	Isaiah 10 2 Samuel 12
Friday	Luke 20 Genesis 20	Isaiah 11 2 Samuel 13
Saturday	Psalm 5	Psalms 109 Psalm 57

Scripture Memory for the Week:

Ephesians 1:3 (ESV)

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of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who has blessed us in Christ

with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places.

Communication

Visit trinitylakeland.org/events to register.



Ordination and Installation Service for Brown Peterson

January 23, Following Worship.



Fourth Sunday Prayer Gathering

January 23, 4p

Contact the church office for information.



Women's Bible Study - Starting January 25

Tuesdays, 9a & Wednesdays, 7p

Contact [JoAnn Johnson](#) for information.

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Mon - Fri | 8:30a - 5:00p

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